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TITLE OF INVENTION: FACILITATING INSTANT MESSAGING OUTSIDE OF USER-DEFINED BUDDY GROUP IN A WIRELESS AND

NON-WIRELESS ENVIRONMENT

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